

NMEQIP FY 2005 Ranking Criteria Worksheet Grazing Lands - AZTEC F.O.

Applicant: _____ Farm No. _____ Tract No. _____ CMS Field No's. _____ Date: _____

Tribal Land _____ Non-Tribal Land _____ Preliminary Rating ____ Final Rating ____

1. Plants - 75 Potential Points (25-50% of Total) 33%

Note: Instructions on separate sheet		% Area in Contract Before Treatment	% Area in Contract After Treatment.	Potential Points	Benchmark Points	After Points
Grazing Plan:	Intensive			30		
	Seasonal			20		
	Continuous			0		
Deferment Period:	>90% of Growing Season			20		
	51-90% of Growing Season			10		
	26-50% of Growing Season			5		
	0-25% of Growing Season			0		
	No change in this section will make this project ineligible for consideration.					
Stocking Rate:	>5.5/aum			25		
	4-5.5 Acres/aum			20		
	2.9-3.9 Acres/aum			10		
	<2.9 Acres/aum			0		
1. Plants				Total:		

2. Conservation Practice(s) Selection - 120 Potential Points (25-65% of Total) 52%

Any practice used in the ranking criteria and intended to be included in the conservation plan of operations must be a cost-shared practice or have an incentive payment. Higher priority (value) should be given to those practices which address multiple resource concerns, are cost effective, and have longer life spans. Select resource concerns from NM Quality Criteria Guide.		Potential Points	Percent of Need to be Installed	After Points
Soil Erosion (Gully Erosion and Deposition)				
	Sediment Basins (350)	5		
	Grade Stabilization Structure (410)	5		
	Range Planting (550)	10		
	Brush Management (314)	20		
	Fencing (382)	20		
Water Quantity (Inadequate livestock supply)				
	Spring Development (547)	10		
	Pond (378)	10		
	Well (642)	20		
	Livestock Pipeline and Storage (516 & 614)	10		
Water Quality (Surface Water Contaminants)				
	Well (642)	20		
	Livestock Pipeline and Storage (516 & 614)	10		
	Fencing (382)	20		
Air (Dust)				
	Range Planting (550)	10		
Plants (Suitability, Condition Productivity and Management)				
	Pest Management (Weed Control of Herbaceous noxious and Invasive weeds)(595)	10		
	Range Planting (550)	10		
	Fencing (382)	20		
	Brush Management (314)	20		
Animals (Habitat and Management)				
	Range Planting (550)	10		
	Fencing (382)	20		
2. Conservation Practice Selection		Total:		

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3. Other Considerations - 35 Potential Points (10-25% of Total) 15%

Items A thru D are required. If there are other criteria the D.C. wants to recommend based on LWG advice, please include them as item(s) E and F.	Potential Points	Benchmark Points	After Points
A. At risk species habitat will be enhanced.	20		
B. Treatment of this land could have a beneficial impact on a 303d listed stream segment.	15		
C. Treatment of this land could enhance the benefits of an active or planned sec. 319 project.	NA		
D. The land is within a NMED designated Category I watershed.	NA		
3. Other Considerations			

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Designated Conservationist

Date